



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



November 9, 2004

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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20423-0001

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Re: STB Docket No. AB-254 (Sub No. 7X)
Providence and Worcester Railroad Company - Abandonment in State of Connecticut

Dear Secretary Williams:

Please be advised that the State of Connecticut may be interested in preparing a request in accordance with your regulatory disciplines for a Public Use Condition or an Interim Trail Use Condition rather than an outright abandonment authorization of that approximate 3.4 mile portion of the Southbridge Running Track situated within the State of Connecticut between MP 1.39 +/- and MP 4.8 +/- which is owned by the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company.

I would specifically request an extension of time within which we can file this formal request so that I can have appropriate counsel within my state review the necessary language that would meet your regulatory and statutory requirements.

I request an extension, for the reasons above, until Tuesday, December 30, 2004.

Attorney Spillane representing the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company has agreed to the request contained in this letter.

Sincerely,

David K. Leff
Deputy Commissioner

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